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constitutes said optical apparatus.

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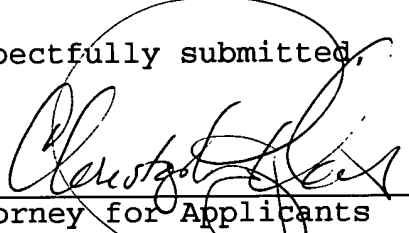
The present Preliminary Amendment is being filed together with the original application.

Claims 1 to 18 now are pending. Claims 1, 11, 12 and 17 are independent.

Claims 11 and 17 have been amended to improve their form. No new matter has been added.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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